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Learn Something New

	CLINIC SCHEDULE
April <b>20th</b> 10:00AM - Noon	Presentation <u>The Significance of May 10th</u> Presentation by Dale Angell The always entertaining Dale Angell will talk about the upcoming historical railroad historical event.
May <b>18th</b> 10:00 AM - Noon	Presentation <u>My Life With the DRG&amp;W</u> Presented by Jeff Pierce Jeff will weave an interesting story of his history with the Denver Rio Grande & Western Railroad.
	Presentation <u>RailPro model train control system</u> Presented by Geoff Carter Learn about the easy to use and powerful RailPro model train control system. Spend your time having fun with your model trains and not learning cryptic bles, memorizing what function buttons do, and other by typical digital control systems.
July 20th No Meeting	A Celebration for all who helped with the 2019 National Convention. This will be a very special event.
August <b>17th</b> 10:00 AM - Noon	TBA Another great clinic that will be annouced soon!
September <b>21St</b> 10:00 PM - Noon	Presentation <u>JMRI</u> Presented by Mike Nelson

I am asking all in the division what they might like to see in the way of clinics. Hands on, video presentations, scenery ideas, dcc, weathering, trestle construction, tunnel portal and snowshed construction, just to name a few ideas. In our division we have a lot of beginers, advanced, and a lot of great modelers, we can all become better by sharing our ideas and talants. Join in with us each month for some fun and adventures in modeling.

#### Lowell Didas Clinics Coordinator

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# Thoughts from the Superintendent TRAINS OF THOUGH

With just under 3 months to go, we are getting very close to the National NMRA Convention here in Salt Lake City! We need everyone's help to pull it off! A majority of the planning has already taken place but the details of some items are still being worked out. We have great committee heads working together. It will be stressful but fun too! Please be patient with each other. If you don't get an answer to a question, just ask again or ask someone else. We all have commitments outside of the convention. You can find real emails of real people on the Contact Us page of the convention website.



We want this to be an awesome experience for all who attend! We want to share our railroading heritage with the world as we celebrate 150 years of the Driving of the Golden Spike that united our great nation! Let us open our arms in welcoming together our fellow model railroaders to our great state and we can enjoy the journey together!

#### Jim Wanlass, MMR #585 Superintendent

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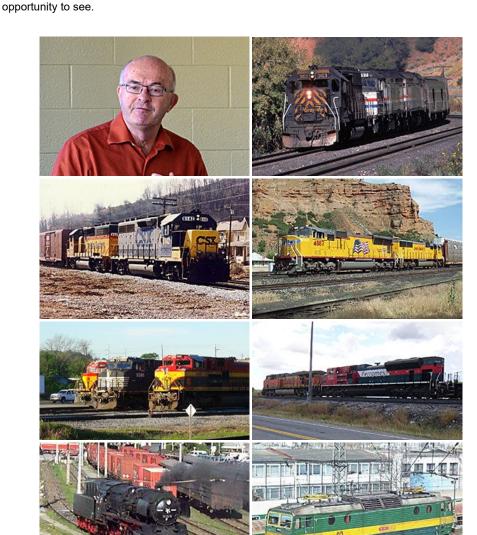
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What Happened Last Month

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

#### **Utah Rail Enthusiasts** Presented by Lee Wohlgemuth

As a diplomat in the U.S. Foreign Service, Lee has had the opportunity to travel to many interesting places in the world. He has served in US embassies in Europe, the Middle East, and Southwest Asia. Combine all this travel with being a "Train-nut" has allowed Lee to acquire a great amount of photos and video of interesting trains. Now that Lee has retired and is living close to the UP mainline in Uintah, Utah he has shared many of these photos and videos on the Utah Rail Enthusiasts Facebook page. Go to https://www.facebook.com/groups/509597712439300/. Lee's presentation was both fascinating and fun to hear the stories of far off places that some us will never have the





During the "Show and Tell" portion of the event, Lowell Didas brought his beautiful On30 scratchbuilt C&S gondola car to everyone to see. Charlie Treft showed off some of the photos and models he won at the Hostlers Show in March. Great job guys!



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Why is it you do what you do? I just read a Facebook post of someone who joined their local NMRA Division and was excited by all the activities that were offered. He advised any "lone wolves" out there to give coming to meetings a try. The fellowship and all it affords is worth it! When I first "stopped being a lone wolf" I still had commitments that only allowed me to come out sometimes, but the more I attended the more people I got to know and the more I enjoyed it. Yes, sometimes going to another meeting, or attending a train show as a volunteer, would take me away from "modeling time" and the chance to get things done on my own railroad. I will have to say that it is well worth it! I learned new skills attending clinics and met new people who gave me advice and hints/tips to better my railroad. In fact, it wasn't until I started attending regularly that I made much progress towards my MMR.

We have had a bunch of people receiving their Golden Spike Award recently, which is awesome! Now it's time for those people to start getting their first AP Certificate. Many could get the Association Volunteer, especially with the National Convention being here in a few months. I'll help you fill out the paperwork which can often be confusing.

These pictures show two little guys who were mesmerized by, and got to run, the trains on my portable N Scale layout. I started it for several reasons, one being to work on my Scenery AP Certificate. Most recently however, taking it to shows and seeing the kids get to run it and how much fun they have is why I will continue to work on it.



Whatever reason you have for being a part of model railroading, get with me and I can help you on your journey. It doesn't need to be just to earn a certificate. It's about improving one's self and enjoying this hoppy. Let me help you and that way we can enjoy the journey together!

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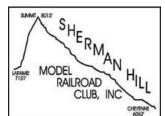
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### **Division News Items**

# DIVISION NEWS ITEMS

Kids Club at the Hostlers Show The Kids Club setup at the 2019 Hostlers Model Railroad Festival and taught interested kids and adults all about making N scale trees. Afterwards their trees were added to one of the Pizza Box layouts. Looks like everyone was having a great time!





### 2019 Sherman Hill Train Show May 18th & 19th 2019

Frontier Park Exhibition Hall 312 West 8th Avenue Cheyenne, Wyoming Saturday 9am - 5pm Sunday 10am - 4pm



#### 2019 Sn3 Symposium April 4th - 6th, 2019

There will be excellent clinics, a vendor room and a contest. We will also have modular layouts on display at the hotel. On the Wednesday prior to the Symposium, operating sessions will be available on several layouts - registered attendees will be able to bid for operating positions. https://www.sn3seattle.com/

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# Chapel Hills Mall Event Center

Train Expo Colorado 35 April 13-14, 2019

Colorado Springs, Colorado

Operating model train layouts and vendors are only a portion of the model train show. Historical presentations, hourly "how-to" clinics, a Seek & Find scavenger hunt for children of all ages, as well as hourly door prizes will be held for those in attendance. Cost: \$6 per person or \$10 for a family of two or more. Seniors and military

receive a \$1 discount. Accompanied children, 12 and under are free. http://www.tecoshow.org/



# McClellan Convention Center

May 2nd - 5th, 2019

Sacramento, California The 2019 Western Pacific Historical Convention will be a joint venture with the Sierra Division of the Pacific Coast Region NMRA



#### May 8-11, 2019 Ogden Eccles Conference Center

**Union Pacific Historical Society Convention** 

2019 Western Pacific Historical Convention

2415 Washington Boulevard, Ogden, Utah

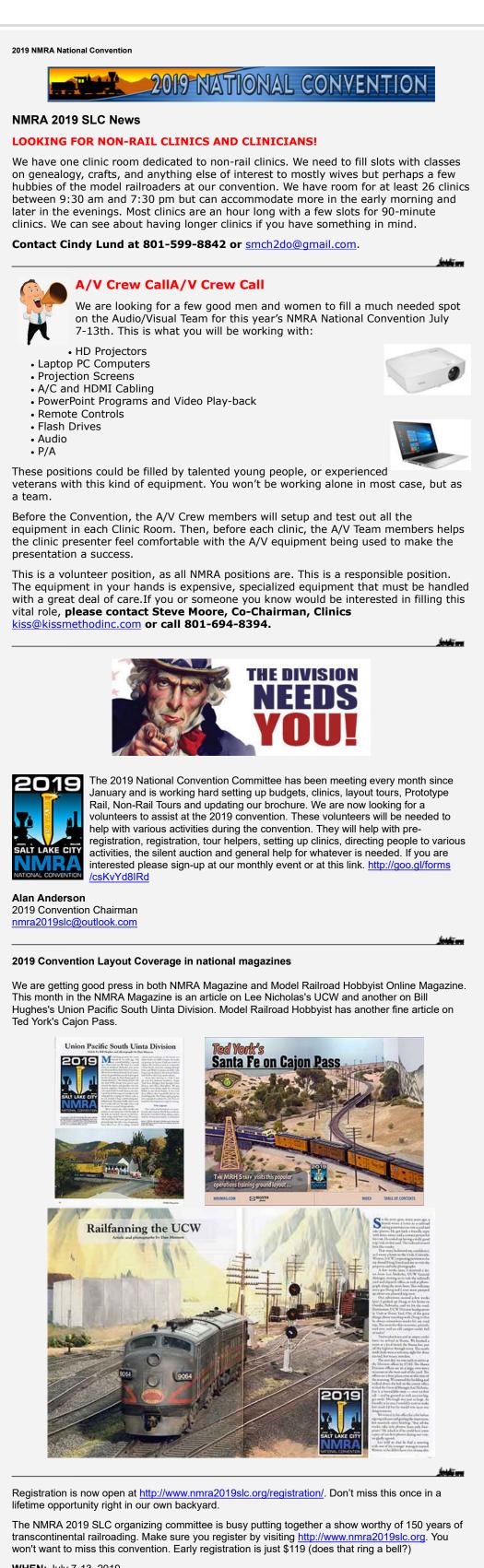


Our 2019 Convention will be joint with the Southern Pacific Historical and Technical Society as we celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the Union Pacific Railroad! Our block of hotel rooms is already completely booked. More details as they are developed. http://uphs.org/

CONVENTION SHIRTS

The new T-Shirts for the 2019 Convention have arrived! They are good looking shirts! This is a chance for Division members to get a shirt before anyone else. We have A polo shirt with the convention logo above the pocket. A t-shirt with a large convention logo and two more t-shirts each with either the Jupiter or the 119 steam engines. At the next event ask Geoff Carter to see them!





WHEN: July 7-13, 2019 WHERE: Convention HQ - Little America Hotel : National Train Show - Mountain America Expo Center (formerly South Towne Expo Center) Three halls will be used for the show on the 11th, 12th and 13th.

If you are on Facebook, follow us at https://www.facebook.com/NMRA2019SLC/ Steve Moore and Geoff Carter 2019 National NMRA Convention Committee Click Here to Return to the Table of Contents

Golden Spike Train Club of Utah



GOLDEN SPIKE TRAIN CLUB



The Golden Spike Train Club holds a public open house while running their trains for display at the state's largest static club layout! Come down the Second Saturday of each month for our next open house from Noon

to 4:00 PM 840 North 300 West Salt Lake City in the south basement of the old Children's Museum.

Visit our website at http://www.goldenspiketrainclubutah.org/ Like us on facebook at https://www.facebook.com/GoldenspikeTrainClub/

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Be sure to join us the third Saturday of every month, from March to October, as the South Weber Model Railroad Club gives free train rides at Canyon Meadows Park in South Weber Utah! Donations are greatly appreciated to help expand the track and pay for maintenance and upgrades.

Visit our website at http://southweberrr.webs.com/ Visit our Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/SouthWeberRailroad/

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### NMRA Membership Renewal

ODEL RAILROAD CLUB



Just a reminder for everyone to check their expiration date on membership NMRA cards. Please don't let them lapse! You should receive a membership renewal form in the mail months before your expiration. If you can't find it or didn't get it, you can always go on-line and renew there. Below is the link to NMRA website page.

https://nmra.org/membership-application-and-renewal

ALL ABOARD!

Also check NMRA home page for membership discounts through the NMRA Partnership Program. You can get discounts at over 30 vendors including Micro-Mart, Green Frog Productions, MinuteMan Scale Models, Motrak Models, MRC (Model Rectifier Corporation) and many others. The discounts could add up to what a years membership costs! https://nmra.org/partnerships

Lowell Didas Membership Chairman

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### The Club Car

# THE CLUB CAR

The Northern Utah Division is home to many outstanding modeling clubs, in every scale from Z to Live Steam. You are sure to find at least one of them that will meet your needs, so drop them a line and join the fun! Contact information is the most recent we have on file. If you have a railroad modeling club in the state of Utah, we would be happy to include your information here. Just send us the name of your club, the scales you support in your club, and how prospective members may contact your club. Color Country Model Railroad Club – This multi-scale club is located in the Southern Utah Division in St. George, Utah. Contact Dave Merrill by email at: professordavemerrill@gmail.com. Visit their website at http://colorcountrytrains.org/sud/ Color Country T-Trak Club - This N Scale club, located in the Southern Utah Division in St. George, Utah, uses the T-Trak modular system. Contact the club by email at: ColorCountryTTrak@gmail.com. Visit their website at http://www.ccttc.info Golden Spike American Flyer Train Club – This S scale club meets the third Friday of each month at various club member homes. Their newsletter contains the time and place. Call Jim Buckley by phone at: (801) 252-1921 or by email at: jamesbuckley7@comcast.com. Visit their website at http://www.gsaftc.com/about.htm Golden Spike Train Club of Utah – This HO/HOn3 100% NMRA club meets Saturday Evenings from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm, at the Old Children's Museum of Utah ( 840 N 300 West, SLC ). Open Houses are held on the 2nd Saturday of the month from 12-4 pm. Contact Mark Forslund by phone at (801) 641-6586 for more information. Out of the area memberships are available. Visit their website at www.goldenspiketrainclubutah.org

Great Basin Lego Train Club – Adult fans of LEGO. Meeting times and club info is posted on their website. Contact Reed Cowan by email at: gbltc@aol.com. Visit their website at http://greatbasinltc.utahlug.org/ HOn3 Club of Northern Utah – Specializing in local narrow gauge railroads in HOn3, this group meets informally and has a layout in Grantsville. Contact Fred Voelcker by email at: fred.voelcker@gmail.com Hostlers Model Railroad Club – This Multi-scale club, including live steam, meets the 3rd Wednesday of every month at Ogden's historic Union Station. Contact Mike Murphy by USPS mail at: 752 W 4375 South, Riverdale, UT 84405 or by phone at: (801) 394-4952. Visit their website at http://hostlers.org

O Scale Guys - An O and On3 scale club. Contact Steve Strebel by phone at: (801) 973-0367.

Ophir, Tintic and Western – This 100% NMRA club models in HO and N and meets at the SCERA Theater Boardroom (745 South State Street, Orem) at 7:00 pm on the 3rd Thursday of every month. Contact Larry Carter by email at larrycarter@msn.com or by phone at (801) 446-8161 Visit their website at http://www.otwtrainclub.com/ Railway & Locomotive Historical Society (Golden Spike Chapter) – An historically oriented group of researchers and preservationists, the Golden Spike chapter of the R&LHS meets at Ogden Station and is presently in the midst of a 20+ year restoration project of the D&RGW #223. Visit their website at http://www.trainweb.org/GoldenSpikeLRHS/index.html South Weber Model Railroad Club – This 1-1/2\* club runs trains every 3rd Saturday & Sunday at South Weber Canyon Meadows Park. I-84 exit #85, two blocks south, two blocks east. Visit their website at http://southweberrr.webs.com/ Utah Free-MO – A travelling HO Modular group conforming to the Free-MO standard. Contact Mike Nelson by email at: i\_m\_loco@hotmail.com Utah Garden Railway Society – A "G scale" group dedicated to the art of Garden Railways. Contact Lynn Stringham, President (UGRS) by USPS mail at: 4464 S 4100 West, West Haven, UT 84401 Utah Large Scale Society – A G scale group that meets in various member's homes. Contact Stan White by phone at: (801) 546-4085 or by USPS mail at: 920 N 1550 East, Layton, UT 84040

Utah Live Steamers – Our railroad is at Shay Park, 400 West Aspen Hills Blvd, Saratoga Springs, UT which encompasses 12 acres. The key feature is the abandoned railroad grade of the Salt Lake & Western Railroad. Our track gauge is 7.5" and we have a new, beautiful 1.6" scale locomotive to pull twice as a before. Rides are typically in the morning on the third Saturday of the month. Contact Mike at utahlivesteamers@gmail.com or watch Facebook for event listings. https://www.facebook.com/cmry260/ Utah Train Collectors Association – Primarily 3-rail O gauge, though other scales are represented. Promotes model railroading in Northern Utah. Meets the last Thursday of each month. Contact Kent Silver (Club President) by email at: webmaster@utahtca.com. Visit their website at http://utahtca.com/default.htm

Wasatch N Scale Model Railroad Club - For contact info visit their website at wasatchnscale.org

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